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te Application of: Clemente Conde

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 3, 2003

Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time for one month to and including February 3, 2004, in which to respond to the Office Action dated October 3, 2003.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17, a check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed, which is the fee for a one-month(s) extension of time.

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